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SUBJECT: SLOVAK RESPONSE TO TURKEY'S CHANGE OF STATUS
REQUEST AT THE EBRD

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EconOff delivered reftel demarche to Mario Vircik, Director of the International Relations Department at the Ministry of Finance. Vircik noted that Slovakia would welcome the review of Turkey's request for a change of status as a part of the broader strategic review of EBRD's mandate and operations, and was encouraged by the U.S. commitment to carry this out by the end of the year. He noted that he did not think Turkey would push for an early decision if the GOT knew that the U.S. would vote against them. Despite his support, Vircik needed to discuss the matter internally before confirming the formal Slovak Government position on the issue.
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